

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

or

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891;" AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION

MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1899.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts." up to the 31st day of October, 1899; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th September, 1899,	195,658		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	500	196,158	By Chief Commission to 30th September, 1899,	6,618	
			., in month of Oct., 1899,	20	
					4,638
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th Sept., 1899,	10,482				
Do. in month of Oct., 1899,	14	10,496	By Sub-Commissions to 30th September, 1899,	167,233	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th Sept., 1899,	30,029		., in month of Oct., 1899,	311	
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	14	30,043			167,544
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to 30th Sept., 1899,	1,263		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Oct., 1899,	3	1,264	To 30th September, 1899,	9,115	
			In month of October, 1899,	44	
					9,159
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th Sept., 1899,	1,459		Struck out—		
Do. in month of Oct., 1899,	3	1,461	To 30th September, 1899,	36,665	
			In month of October, 1899,	68	
					36,733
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896, to 30th Sept., 1899,	461		Withdrawn—		
Do. in month of Oct., 1899,	6	467	To 30th September, 1899,	15,030	
			In month of October, 1899,	32	
					15,062
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896, transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th September, 1899,	58				
Do. in month of Oct., 1899,	—	58			
Total,	—	235,927	Total disposed of	—	233,136

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (ii.), page 18.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 30th Sept., 1899,	48,619	Bents fixed— By Chief Commissioner to 30th September, 1899, 663 " in month of Oct., 1899, 81 744
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	1,523	By Sub-Commissioners to 30th September, 1899, 31,023 " in month of Oct., 1899, 1,300 32,323
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th September, 1899,	3,807	Dismissed— To 30th September, 1899, 548 In month of October, 1899, 19 567
Do. in month of Oct., 1899,	31	Struck out— To 30th September, 1899, 4,565 In month of October, 1899, 171 4,737
Total,	53,660	Withdrawn*— To 30th September, 1899, 774 In month of October, 1899, 64 838
		Total disposed of, 22,299

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to 30th September, 1899,		137,944
Do., do.	in month of October, 1899,	231
Total,		138,195

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to 30th September, 1899,		18,251
Do., do.	in month of October, 1899,	597
Total,		18,848

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices, (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th September, 1899,	1,800	Number disposed of to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	2,646
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	9	"	14
	1,809		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th September, 1899,	43		
Do., in month of October, 1899	—	43	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to 30th September, 1899,	1,063		
Applications in month of Oct., 1899,	—	1,063	
Total,	—	2,915	Total disposed of, 2,646

† The first notice of application to the Court, setting no decision upon the true value of a conveyance, but next, arrears due, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is treated as an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1889, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW IRELAND ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2)—FORM 20.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1893,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	22	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	30	22
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	3	30
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	3

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1892.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 28.

Number of Applications received to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	19	Applications granted to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	6	
Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	11	6
Total,	—	Applications withdrawn to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	—	11
	—	Total disposed of,	—	3

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to 30th September, 1899, " in October, 1899,	4,356	Rents fixed to 30th Sept., 1899, " in October, 1899,	3,931	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, " withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1899, " in October, 1899,	405	3,931
Total,	4,356	Total disposed of,	—	4,336

VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to 30th Sept., 1899, in month of October, 1899,	49,635 24	Number heard to 30th Sept., 1899, in month of Oct., 1899,	24,815 9	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899,	801	24,890
		" in month of Oct., 1899,	—	891
		Number withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1899,	21,674	
		" in month of Oct., 1899,	2	21,676
		Total Number disposed of,	—	47,297
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	9,363
Total,	49,635	Total,	—	49,630

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to 30th Sept., 1899, in month of October, 1899,	13,052 117	Number heard to 30th Sept., 1899, in month of Oct., 1899,	3,592 4	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899,	—	3,596
		" in month of Oct., 1899,	—	—
		Number withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1899,	1,823	
		" in month of Oct., 1899,	12	1,835
		Total Number disposed of,	—	5,431
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	7,738
Total,	13,052	Total,	—	13,169

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

			Number	Amount
Loans applied for to 30th September, 1899, in month of October, 1899,		29,179	11,453,066	
		—	—	
Deduct Applications refused,		29,179 3,811	11,453,066 1,459,426	
		25,368	9,992,640	
Loans sanctioned to 30th September, 1899,		25,368	9,992,640	
Loans sanctioned in month of October, 1899,		—	—	
		25,368	9,992,640	
Loans issued to 30th September, 1899,		25,367	9,992,515	
Loans issued in month of October, 1899,		—	—	
		25,367	9,992,515	

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891, 1896.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 30th September, 1899,	36,366	£ 7,999,045		£
Less applications since withdrawn,	38	5,457		
Loans applied for in month of October, 1899,	26,528	7,993,588		
	407	92,604	26,935	8,086,192
Loans applied for (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	621	196,652		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	621	196,652
Loans applied for (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 30th September, 1899,	109	106,594		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	109	106,594
Loans applied for (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	14	282,488		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	14	282,488
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 30th September, 1899,	2,835	749,767		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	2,835	749,767
Total number of Loans applied for to 31st October, 1899,			30,514	9,421,693
Less applications refused to 31st October, 1899,			932	408,880
" " in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 31st October, 1899,	1,037	302,344		
			2,069	711,124
Loans sanctioned to 30th September, 1899,	21,123	£ 6,548,343		£ 28,445
" in month of October, 1899,	189	58,616	21,323	6,606,958
Loans sanctioned (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	621	196,652		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	621	196,652
Loans sanctioned (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 30th September, 1899,	109	106,594		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	109	106,594
Loans sanctioned (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	14	282,488		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	14	282,488
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 30th Sept., 1899,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 31st October, 1899,			23,824	7,640,315
Less applications refused to the 31st October, 1899,			54	10,029
Loans issued to 30th September, 1899,	17,181	£ 5,357,888		£ 23,770
" in month of October, 1899,	118	23,904	17,248	5,381,792
" (Section 40, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	621	196,652		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	621	196,652
" (Redemption of Rent Act, 1891), to 30th September, 1899,	80	80,248		
" in month of October, 1899,	8	1,800	83	82,148
" (Section 43, Act, 1896), to 30th Sept., 1899,	14	282,488		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	14	282,488
" in cases of Purchase of Estates (Section 5, Act, 1885), to 30th September, 1899,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of October, 1899,	—	—	1,758	447,523
			19,795	6,390,624

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 30th September, 1891, in October, 1891,	1,431	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 30th September, 1891, Number received in October, 1891,	169
	2		—
			169
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as applications to fix "Fair Rents" to 30th September, 1891,	1,262
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of October, 1891,	2
			—
			1,264
		Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consent has not expired,	1,433
			—
			7
Total,	1,440	Total,	1,440

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 1.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1899.

Summary of Proceedings under the "Land Law Acts" as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of October, 1899.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th September, 1899,	32,000	Bents fixed to 30th Sept., 1899, = in month of October, 1899,	18,169
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	37		27
			18,196
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 30th September, 1899,	4,365	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of October, 1899,	4,080
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	5		1
			4,081
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejection is pending, to 30th Sept., 1899,	9,553	Applications withdrawn* to 30th September, 1899, " in month of October, 1899,	508
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	4		1
			509
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to 30th September, 1899,	105	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	11,241
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	1		16
			11,257
Yield.	—	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	36
			—
			36
		Total disposed of,	34,781

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may affect where applications to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 30th September, 1899,		6,584	Rents fixed to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	1,722 54		1,776
Applications received in month of Oct., 1899,		56	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	213 2		215
			Applications withdrawn* to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	80 3		83
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	3,507 31		3,538
Total,		6,649	Total disposed of,	—		5,612

* An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be ordered where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, fixing Fair Rent to 30th September, 1899, Do., da, in month of October, 1899,					7,316 4
Total,					7,318

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 46, fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to 30th September, 1899, Do., da, in month of October, 1899,					116 9
Total,					125

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Redemption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th September, 1899,	638		Number disposed of to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	346		346
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	—		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Sept., 1898, Transferred in month of Oct., 1899,	42		42
Applications by Lesseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenant (Form 33) received to 30th September, 1899,	3			—		42
Applications received in month of October, 1899,	—			—		42
Total,	—	641	Total disposed of,	—		388

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, for rents, redemptions of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 30.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1898,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	—	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	6	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	—	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	—	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	6

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1898.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to 30th September, 1899, " in month of October, 1899,	32	Applications granted to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	3	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	4	4
		Applications withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	1	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th September, 1899, " in month of Oct., 1899,	3	3
Total,	32	Total disposed of,	—	11

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
5th December, 1899.

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